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**One Hundred and Thirty-second**

**Annual Report**

**of the Town of**

**FAIRFIELD, MAINE**

**by the**

**Municipal Officers, Including Report**  
**of Superintendent of Schools**

**for the**

**Year Ending, Feb. 10, 1920**



**Abbie J. Ladd, Printer**  
**Fairfield, Me.**

# Officers of the Town of Fairfield, 1919

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## SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS AND OVERSEER OF THE POOR

W. A. HILL

F. E. HAMMOND

J. L. SNOW

## SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE

W. P. HINCKLEY,

C. A. LAWRY

ABBIE J. LADD

## SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

MERLIN C. JOY

## COLLECTOR

W. J. BRADBURY

## TREASURER

W. W. MERRILL

## TOWN CLERK

W. J. BRADBURY

## DEPUTY CLERKS

GRACE E. CLARK

FAY V. KEENE

## AUDITOR

A. H. TOTMAN

## Report of Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor

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### APPROPRIATIONS FOR 1919

Incidental Expenses .....	\$2,500 00
Support of Poor .....	3,500 00
Common Schools .....	5,000 00
Free High School .....	3,800 00
Books, Supplies and Repairs .....	2,700 00
High School Janitor .....	750 00
Fuel for Common Schools .....	1,200 00
Fuel for High School .....	900 00
Industrial Education .....	750 00
Insurance .....	300 00
Highways .....	5,000 00
Bridges .....	1,750 00
Breaking Snow .....	1,000 00
Two Thousand Bond .....	2,000 00
Interest on Indebtedness .....	1,500 00
Salary of Selectmen .....	800 00
Clerk Hire for Selectmen .....	300 00
Monument Park .....	150 00
Free Public Library .....	1,000 00
Memorial Day .....	100 00
Highway Patrol .....	1,000 00
Sidewalk on Island Avenue .....	250 00
State Aid Road .....	1,992 00
Celebration for Returned Soldiers and Sailors	1,000 00
Sewer for Elm St .....	1,000 00
Sidewalk on Main Street .....	1,500 00
Sidewalk on Main and King Street .....	500 00
Damage John A. Harris .....	150 00
Total appropriations .....	<hr/> \$42,392 00

## INVENTORY AND ASSESSMENT

Real Estate, Resident.....	\$1,370,040 00	
Real Estate, Non-resident.....	255,350 00	
Total Real Estate.....		\$1,625,390 00
Personal Estate, Resident.....	\$583,930 00	
Personal Estate, Non-resident.....	64,860 00	
Total Personal Estate...		\$648,790 00
Grand Total.....		\$2,274,180 00
Assessed on \$2,274,180 00 at 27 mills.....	\$61,402 86	
“ “ 1,182 polls at \$2.50. . . . .	2,955 00	
		\$64,357 86
State tax .....	\$17,541 19	
County tax.. . . . .	3,272 23	
Appropriation .....	42,392 00	
Overlay .....	1,152 44	
Total Commitments .....		\$64,357 86

## LIST OF TAXABLE LIVE STOCK

	No.	Total Value
Horses and mules. ....	581	\$56,470 00
Colts, 3 to 4 years old.....	8	590 00
Colts, 2 to 3 years old .....	14	840 00
Colts, under 2 years old.....	7	320 00
Cows.....	757	38,310 00
Oxen.....	12	630 00
Three year olds .....	119	4,720 00
Two year olds .....	193	6,360 00
Sheep, (over 35 in number) .....	160	1,800 00
Swine, (over 10 in number) .....	47	1,030 00
Total .....	1,898	\$111,070 00

## LIVE STOCK EXEMPT FROM TAXATION

One year olds . . . . .	300	\$4,605 00
Sheep, (to 35 in number) . . . . .	452	5,050 00
Swine, (to 10 in number) . . . . .	305	6,880 00
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Total . . . . .	1,057	\$16,535 00

## OTHER KINDS OF PERSONAL PROPERTY

Railroad Bonds, 1 . . . . .	500 00	
Bank Stock, 383 shares . . . . .	35,280 00	
Money at interest . . . . .	4,540 00	
Stocks in trade . . . . .	96,400 00	
Small boats, 1 . . . . .	100 00	
Logs and lumber . . . . .	136,400 00	
Wood and bark . . . . .	900 00	
Carriages . . . . .	900 00	
Automobiles, 172 . . . . .	47,330 00	
Musical Instruments, 294 . . . . .	27,770 00	
Finished products in mills . . . . .	15,830 00	
Materials in stock . . . . .	44,070 00	
Other property . . . . .	127,700 00	
	<hr/>	\$537,720 00
Total amount of personal property . . . . .		\$648,790 00

## Poor Account

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### Poor of Other Towns

	Paid out	Reimbursed
Mrs James Daggett, not placed .....	\$3 00	
Annie Laplant, Reed Plantation .....	190 00	\$35 00
Rosie Clair, Waterville.....	10 68	10 68
Paul Clair, Waterville.....	52 33	52 33
George H. Foster, Greenville . . . . .	214 30	
Tramps at Farm.....	5 40	
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	\$475 70	

### Fairfield Poor out of Town

Paid out		
Dollie Pooler, Clinton.....	\$115 27	
Lena & Archie York.....	2 00	
Ben and Esther Kolos .....	203 48	
Ida Whitney .....	10 50	
John Avery and family .....	59 47	
Violette Mae Peters, Benton .....	112 28	
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		\$655 68

### State Poor

	Paid-out	Reimbursed
Joseph Trombley.....	\$208 00	\$208 00
Mrs Camille Goodwin. . . . .	42 00	42 00
Catherine Sirois.....	175 00	175 00
Mrs Martin Dale .....	377 19	377 19
Nelson Raynor .....	23 70	23 70
George Lessard.....	52 08	52 08
William Wainer.....	168 50	168 50
Julia Daggett, not placed....	50 26	
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	\$1,096 73	\$1,046 47
Due from State.....		\$50 26
Paid by State on 1918 account.....		\$248 50

### Fairfield Poor in Town Not On Farm

Paid out	
Care of Cemetery lots . . . . .	\$10 00
Mary Perry . . . . .	22 50
Flora Collins . . . . .	45 50
Leo Foster . . . . .	197 00
Ida Roderick . . . . .	84 14
Lucy Roderick . . . . .	155 54
Mrs Peter Brigham . . . . .	22 00
Anthony Reed . . . . .	40 00
Alfred Reed . . . . .	10 00
Annie Pooler, (deceased) . . . . .	13 88
Marian Pooler . . . . .	2 00
Mrs Alma Pooler . . . . .	23 00
Horace Taylor (deceased) . . . . .	68 00
Mary Roundy " . . . . .	6 00
Alphonse Lagrange . . . . .	2 83
Violet Mae Peters . . . . .	122 28
Ed Dillingham . . . . .	16 65
John Shibley . . . . .	16 50
Mrs Geo Perry . . . . .	10 00
Mrs Lillian Robinson . . . . .	7 00
Henry Belanger . . . . .	14 47
Mrs Silas Ware (reimbursed) . . . . .	8 18
Mrs Annie Harvey " . . . . .	14 80
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	\$892 27



**Expense at Town Farm**

Salary of Supt and wife .....	\$605 00	
Labor ..	397 97	
Hauling wood .....	79 50	
Telephone bills .....	11 63	
Feed .....	158 45	
Supplies .....	827 11	
Refrigerator .....	15 00	
Ladders .....	14 46	
Blacksmiths bill .....	11 80	
Labor on camp .....	31 00	
Lumber and material .....	43 40	
Insurance ..	127 70	
Pigs .....	12 00	
	<hr/>	\$2,335 02

**Inventory of Supplies on Hand at Farm**

49 cords of wood at \$6.00 per cord .....	\$294 00	
Potatoes, 30 bushels ..	60 00	
Beans, 2 bushels .....	10 00	
200 pounds pork ..	40 00	
5 barrels apples .....	15 00	
8 tons hay .....	200 00	
1 ton straw ..	10 00	
1 cow .....	50 00	
Groceries and supplies in house. ....	20 00	
	<hr/>	\$599 00

**Town Farm Receipts**

Cream sold .....	\$802 33	
Due for cream sold ..	40 00	
Wood sold, 9 cds at \$10.00 & 3 cds at \$9.00	117 00	
Due from schools for 18 cds wood at \$9.75	175 50	
1 cord dry wood delivered to poor .....	10 00	
Received for stumpage ..	17 50	
Due for stumpage ..	8 50	
A Jewell & Son, received .....	37 00	

Pig sold .....	50 00	
Cow sold.....	75 00	
Saco Valley Canning Co for corn.....	38 00	
Received for potatoes, beans, apples & pork	93 90	
	<hr/>	\$1,464 73

#### Poor Boarded at Farm

Wellington York .....	52 weeks
Lucinda York .....	52 weeks
Nelson Raynor.....	3 weeks
Alice Penney .....	40 weeks
Doris May Penney .....	37 weeks
Ida Roderick .....	12 weeks
Rosie Foster .....	4 weeks
Frank Curtis. ....	17 weeks

#### Summary of Poor Account

Available		
Appropriation .....	\$3,500 00	
Received from State.....	1,059 79	
"    "    "    1918 account.....	248 56	
"    "    other towns .....	575 89	
Reimbursed in town .....	8 18	
"    "    "    1915 account.....	5 00	
Received from Lewis Dunbar fund.....	192 90	
Due from State or unknown.....	50 26	
Due from other towns .....	372 30	
	<hr/>	\$6,012 88
Paid out		
Poor in town .....	\$892 27	
Fairfield poor out of town .....	655 68	
Poor of other towns .....	470 31	
State poor .....	1,096 73	
Expenses at farm less receipts.....	271 29	
	<hr/>	\$3,929 68
Unexpended.....		\$2,083 20

#### Insane Commitments

Percy Wheeler.....	\$2 00
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## Incidental Account

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Salary and Bond, W W Merrill.....	\$125 00
“ as auditor 1917-1918 .....	30 00
“ “ Supt of Schools, H E Bowman ....	194 40
“ “ “ “ M C Joy.....	400 00
“ “ School Committee, Walter P Hinck- ley, 1918 .....	25 00
Salary as School Com, Abbie J Ladd 1919	25 00
“ “ Fire Warden, J W Sawyer, 1918	8 50
“ of Town Clerk.....	50 00
Fees of Town Clerk, reporting Vital Statis- tics .....	41 25
Fees of Physicians, reporting deaths and births .....	24 75
Fees of Clergymen, reporting marriages....	4 50
Fees of Dog Constable .....	2 00
“ “ Truant Officer .....	6 00
“ “ G M Chapman, defend damage suit	200 00
New England Telephone Company.....	40 54
Central Maine Power Co, lights, bridges & offices .....	73 17
Rent of Office and heating .....	239 50
Fairfield Pub Co, Town reports 1918 ..	87 00
Insurance on Town Hall, Fairfield Ctr, Mc- Fadden & Co .....	4 92
Green & Wilson, surveying Smithfield line .	26 90
Green & Wilson, surveying Shawmut road in damage suit.....	42 44
Grace E. Clark, Transcribing Records 1918- 1919 .....	50 00
Wallace Jewell, traffic officer .....	80 00
Watering tubs .....	6 00

Rent of Opera House, Town Meeting and election. ....	20 00	
Ballot clerks & setting up booths for election	9 50	
Shawmut Mfg Co, error on taxes .....	6 75	
W J Bradbury, Collector's Commission at 1½ per cent. ....	959 08	
Misc. bills, office supplies, postage and expense .....	132 46	
Team hire assessing taxes ....	19 67	
Printing .....	25 87	
	<hr/>	\$2,960 20
Reimbursed, telephone calls .....	\$ 2 90	2 90
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Appropriated ....		\$2,957 30
		2,500 00
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Overdrawn .....		\$457 30

## MONUMENT PARK

Appropriated .....	\$150 00
Paid G A Savage, labor.....	142 79
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Unexpended.....	\$7 21

## MEMORIAL DAY

Appropriated .....	\$100 00
Paid Frank Savage .....	\$100 00

## LAWRENCE LIBRARY

Appropriated .....	\$1,000 00
Paid W A Archer, Treasurer.....	\$1,000 00

## CLERK HIRE FOR SELECTMEN

Appropriated .....	\$300 00
Paid	
Grace E Clark .....	\$175 00
Fay V Keene ..	125 00
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	\$300 00

**SALARY OF SELECTMEN**

Appropriated .....		\$800 00
Paid		
W A Hill .....	\$400 00	
F E Hammond .....	200 00	
J L Snow .....	200 00	
	— —	\$800 00

**SHEEP KILLED BY DOGS**

Paid out		
H C & M C Emery .....		\$105 00
Reimbursement from State .....		\$105 00

**House on Bunker's Island**

Received rent, 16 months at \$9.00 .....		\$144.00
Paid out		
Water bill .....	\$5 00	
Repairs (McLure & Bradbury) .....	18 59	
	— —	\$23 59
		<u>\$120 41</u>

**Celebration for Returned Soldiers and Sailors**

Appropriation .....	\$1,000 00
Paid to O A Learned, Sec and Treas .....	1,000 00

**Dependent Families of Soldiers and Sailors**

Mrs Miles T Shaw and Mother .....	\$103 43
Mrs Maurice C Emery .....	33 71
Mrs Carlton A Bunker .....	33 71
Mrs Miles A Spinney .....	37 71
Mrs Frank L Barnes .....	26 00
Mrs Joseph Casey .....	76 00
Mrs Ray S Mitchell and child .....	1 57
Mrs Joseph W Quirion .....	36 00
Mrs Harry E Bickford and children .....	170 00

Vital Cyr.....	143 43	
Joseph Pooler.....	36 00	
Frank Sirois.....	147 43	
Mrs John E Washburn.....	33 71	
Mrs Horace A Nadeau.....	36 00	
Mrs Fred Gleason.....	48 57	
Mrs Nelson Bashaw.....	36 00	
Mrs Henry Oakes.....	36 00	
Mr Howard B Ham.....	101 14	
Mrs Joseph Lamore and child.....	1 57	
Mrs Erban B Emery.....	41 71	
Mrs Lillian Robinson.....	89 00	
Mrs Arthur V Otis and children.....	142 14	
		\$1,420 83
Received from State.....		\$1,420 83
Received from State 1918 account.....	\$513 77	
Reimbursements.....	31 29	
Due from State.....	24 00	
		\$1,989 89

### Mother's Aid Pensions

Everlena M Chase (Bepton).....	\$262 57	
Emma Groder (Skowhegan).....	222 00	
Cassie E Parlin.....	190 45	
Adelia Trudell.....	84 00	
Maggie Lapointe (Limestone).....	69 07	
Annie B Cain (Clinton).....	20 00	
		\$848 09
Received from State.....	\$319 55	
"    "    Benton.....	144 83	
"    "    Skowhegan.....	98 50	
Due from State.....	91 50	
"    "    Clinton.....	10 00	
"    "    Skowhegan.....	12 50	
"    "    Limestone.....	34 53	
		\$711 41
Paid by Fairfield (no appropriation).....		\$136 68

**Board of Health**

F J Savage, Harry E Bradbury, W L Gousse,—Officials

No appropriation

Paid out

Salaries.....	\$20 00	
Antitoxine .....	5 00	
Fumigating.....	47 50	
Expense, postage etc .....	7 12	
Diphtheria case, med attendance and supplies		
for families .....	40 50	
Scarlet fever case .....	4 50	
	—	\$124 62
Reimbursement from Silas Ware.....		.70
		—
		\$123 92

**Interest**

Appropriation .....		\$1,500 00
Paid out .....	\$748 23	
Interest on Bond .....	1,040 00	
	—	\$1,788 23
		—
Overdrawn .....		\$288 23

**School Account**

Paid		
Teaching .....	\$14,659 40	
Janitors .....	2,131 88	
Conveyance .....	2,628 00	
Books, supplies, repairs and incidentals ...	3,884 79	
Fuel.....	1,671 21	
Insurance .....	195 27	
Board .....	326 00	
Industrial Education .....	1,589 77	
	—	\$27,086 32

## Highway Account

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Appropriation . . . . .	\$5000 00
Paid out	
Country . . . . .	\$2,988 41
Village . . . . .	2,117 48
	<hr/> \$5,105 89
Received from gravel . . . . .	95 35
Overdrawn . . . . .	10 44
Paid out on 1918 bills . . . . .	121,68

### Bridges

Appropriation . . . . .	\$1,750 00
Paid out . . . . .	851 56
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Unexpended . . . . .	\$898 44

### SIDEWALK ACCOUNT

Appropriated . . . . .	\$2,250 00
Expended . . . . .	\$1,416 00
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Unexpended . . . . .	\$833 00
Material on hand, 59 barrels, Sidewalk Composition at \$9.70 per barrel. Amount \$572.30	
	\$833 00
On hand . . . . .	572 30
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Total unexpended . . . . .	\$1,406 08

### SANATORIUM ROAD

At a special meeting held on April 12, 1919, it was voted that the Selectmen be instructed to raise a sum of money not to exceed \$1,000, by loan, to build a road from Shawmut Road to the Central Maine Sanatorium. The amount expended was \$742.75. Unexpended \$257.25.



**Snow Account**

Paid out		
Labor, men and teams in village .....	\$748 35	
Labor, men and teams in country .....	413 00	
A H Lawrence, sidewalks .....	58 25	
Geo Richardson, sidewalks .....	104 50	
Supplies .....	1 63	
	—	\$1,325 73
Appropriation .....	\$1,000 00	
Due from W F & O Ry .....	100 00	
Due from F & S Ry .....	35 00	
Due from B & F Ry .....	20 00	
	—	\$1,155 00
Overdrawn .....		\$170 73

**State Aid Road Account**

Appropriated by town, Sect 18, 1918 .....	\$1,992 00	
1919 .....	1,062 00	
Appropriated by town, Sect 21, 1919 .....	316 20	
Apportioned by State, Sect 20, 1918 .....	2,241 00	
1919 .....	1,062 00	
Apportioned by State, Sect. 21, 1919 .....	395 25	
	—	
Joint Fund, 1918-1919 .....		\$7,068 45
Expended by State .....	\$ 80 05	
Expended by Town .....	6,305 30	
Cost of road .....	—	\$6,385 35
Town account .....	\$6,305 30	
Appropriated by Town .....	3,370 20	
	—	
Excess of town appropriation .....		\$2,935 10
Available at the State Treasury for 1920 ..		\$683 10

**Patrol**

Appropriation .....	\$1,000 00	
Paid by Treasurer . . . . .	1,056 10	
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Overdrawn . . . . .		\$56 10

**Sewer for Elm Street**

Appropriation .....	\$1,000 00	
Assessed to Abutters .....	1,250 00	
	<hr/>	\$2,250 00
L S Bray, contract labor and material ....	2,415 15	
Green & Wilson, surveying .....	106 46	
	<hr/>	\$2,521 61
Overdrawn . . . . .		\$271 61

## Collector's Report

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Town of Fairfield, Maine, in account with W. J. Bradbury,  
Collector.

### Dr.

Amount of taxes committed for 1919.....	\$64,357	86
Supplementary taxes for 1919.....	114	05
Delinquent taxes collected for 1917-1918 ..	367	60
	\$64,839	51

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Treasurer's receipts ..	\$63,938	38
Abatements as per list with Selectmen .....	339	30
Polls returned .....	97	50
Resident real estate sold .....	321	68
Personal resident returned .....	74	75
Non-resident real estate sold .....	31	45
Non-resident personal returned .....	36	45
	\$64,839	51

### Unpaid Taxes 1919

#### RESIDENT REAL ESTATE SOLD

W R Abbott .....	\$ 9	40
H M Glazier, balance .....	19	10
Heirs of H M Lowe .....	62	10
Lewis Marcia .....	86	20
Amos Priest, balance .....	3	70
John Robertson .....	105	37
Mrs Lottie Robertson .....	1	35
Mrs. Florence Strickland.....	10	80
L W York .....	23	66
	\$321	68

#### NON RESIDENT REAL ESTATE SOLD

Edward Bichard or Vashon .....	\$2	70
Lewis Burgess, balance .....	4	45
Wm G Thompson ....	24	30
	\$31	45

## RETURN OF PERSONAL PROPERTY RESIDENT

Will E Brown . . . . .	\$ 2 50	
Ernest Brown . . . . .	5 20	
George V Chapman . . . . .	7 90	
George F Day . . . . .	9 25	
Ralph H Friend . . . . .	6 82	
M E Gilman . . . . .	7 90	
Ray Kilgore . . . . .	5 20	
Fred C Leary . . . . .	6 55	
Frank Manson . . . . .	1 62	
Elmer Strickland . . . . .	9 79	
H H Spinney . . . . .	5 20	
F E Sanborn . . . . .	6 82	
		<hr/> \$74 75

## RETURN OF PERSONAL PROPERTY NON RESIDENT

Wm & Vede Dostie . . . . .	\$35 10	
Mark Stevens . . . . .	1 35	
		<hr/> \$36 45

## LIST POLLS RETURNED

Batre	\$2 50	Lyons, Patrick	2 50
Bowley, Arthur	2 50	Lyons, Ernest	2 50
Belebomas, Crist	2 50	Mitchell, Wm	2 50
Caret, Albert	2 50	Malkasin Lewis	2 50
Curtiss, M E	2 50	MacDonald, George	2 50
Curtiss, Stanley	2 50	MacKnight, Daniel	2 50
Crist, Peter	2 50	Nicholas, Crist	2 50
Crummit, Frank	2 50	Nicholas, Chas	2 50
Dixon, John	2 50	Nicholas, Jeror	2 50
Deoras, George	2 50	Noble, Moses	2 50
Gilbert, Wm	2 50	Roderick, H A	2 50
Gilbert, Peter	2 50	Roberts, George	2 50
Gurney, John	2 50	Smith, Eben C	2 50
Gallaher, Hugh	2 50	Stevens, Wm	2 50
Hebert, Frank	2 50	Strange, Peter	2 50
Johnson, L P	2 50	Tallouse, David	2 50
Jeness, Joseph	2 50	Williams, Joseph	2 50
James, John W	2 50	Witter, A J	2 50
King, Andrew	2 50	Witham, Wm	2 50
Lumney, Win	2 50		
			<hr/> \$79 50

## Treasurer's Report

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W W Merrill in account with the Town of Fairfield,  
1919

Dr.

To cash

Feb 26	Balance on hand . . . . .	\$129 95
	To pay outstanding Orders . . . . .	364 70
27	From State Treas for State pen- sions, 1918 . . . . .	444 00
28	From State Treas, support of poor	122 86
Mar 6	Loan, Fairfield Savings Bank . . .	2,500 00
11	W J Bradbury, Coll, taxes 1918..	100 00
13	State Treas, support of poor. . .	123 51
15	Town Farm account . . . . .	30 15
25	Loan, Fairfield Savings Bank . . .	2,500 00
27	Reed Plantation . . . . .	35 00
28	State Treas, dep families Soldiers and Sailors . . . . .	69 14
Apr 12	Town Farm account . . . . .	43 55
17	Loan Fairfield Savings Bank . .	2,000 00
24	Town Clerk, dog licenses . . . .	13 00
30	Loan, Fairfield Savings Bank . . .	1,000 00
May 10	Loan, Fairfield Savings & Trust Co, 1920 acct . . . . .	1,000 00
14	City of Waterville . . . . .	26 50
14	State Treas, support of poor . . .	204 29
14	State Treas, support of poor . . .	17 35
16	Loan, Fairfield Sav & Trust Co . .	3,000 00
16	Town Clerk, dog licenses . . . .	56 00
23	Town Clerk, dog licenses . . . .	40 00
23	Incidental account . . . . .	70 00
23	Town Farm account . . . . .	62 37
27	Town Clerk, dog licenses . . . .	62 00
29	State Treas, support of poor . . .	39 38
31	Town Clerk, dog licenses . . . .	20 00

	31	Town Farm account . . . . .	77 72
	31	Reimbursement of dependent fam- ilies of Soldiers . . . . .	17 00
June	5	State Treas, burial of Soldier . . .	35 00
	20	State Treas, Mother's Aid . . . . .	57 00
	26	Town Farm account . . . . .	75 00
	26	" " " " . . . . .	90 41
	26	License of Merry-go-Round . . . . .	12 00
July	3	Loan, Fairfield Sav & Trust Co . .	3,000 00
	7	" " " " " " " " . . . . .	1,000 00
	11	Town of Otis . . . . .	137 44
	12	State Treas, support of poor . . .	107 24
	23	Town of Vassalboro . . . . .	169 11
	23	Town Farm account . . . . .	110 00
	24	Loan, W A Hill . . . . .	2,000 00
Aug	15	State Treas, support of poor . . .	209 95
	15	" " Maine Library Asso.. . . .	100 00
	15	" " Mother's Aid . . . . .	92 04
	15	" " dependent families of Soldiers and Sailors . . . . .	1,515 76
	27	Town Clerk, dog licenses . . . . .	12 00
	30	Loan, W A Hill . . . . .	1,000 00
Sept	3	Town Farm account . . . . .	146 21
	3	Reimbursement poor acct 1915 . .	5 00
	3	" Mothers Aid Town of Benton . . . . .	11 98
	3	Incidental account . . . . .	11 00
	10	W J Bradbury, Coll taxes 1917-18	156 00
Oct	6	Town Farm account . . . . .	73 95
	6	Highway account . . . . .	47 88
	6	Incidental account . . . . .	28 85
	7	Town farm . . . . .	21 00
	25	State Treas, highway account . . .	150 50
	25	Rent of Hall at Fairfield Center . .	9 00
	25	Town farm account . . . . .	54 07
Nov	6	W F Mitchell, sewer on West St.	85 00
	14	State Treas, Mother's Aid . . . . .	96 01

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	14	State Treas, support of poor....	242 50
	17	Lloyd Sykes, sewer on Elm St. ..	85 00
	17	G D Richardson, sewer on West St	85 00
	26	Incidental account... ..	94 67
	28	State Treas, Improvement of roads	2,935 10
	28	" " support of poor .....	99 95
	28	" " damage to animals...	195 00
Dec	1	" " School and Mill fund.	4,258 92
	1	" " Common School Fund	4,461 97
	1	" " R R & Tel Tax .....	610 48
	1	Harry Bradbury, sewer on West St	85 00
	12	State Treas, Free High School...	500 00
	24	Reimbursement on poor account ..	16 00
	24	Town Farm accout .....	38 10
	24	" " " .....	63 69
	31	L B Mullin, sewer on West St ..	85 00
	31	A V Worthing on acct sewer.....	35 00
1920			
Jan	2	State Treas, support of poor ....	63 82
	2	" " " " " .....	77 50
	10	Town of Clinton ... ..	2 55
	10	Town farm account.....	25 00
	10	Lewis Emerson, Highway acct ..	48 00
	10	Reimbursement, poor acct .....	6 00
	13	W G Orcutt on sewer Elm and West St .....	135 00
	16	State Treas, damage to animals ..	105 00
	16	" " Mother's aid .....	17 50
	20	Town of Skowhegan ... ..	98 50
	31	Town farm account. ....	66 00
Feb	2	W G Orcutt, bal sewer assessment	135 00
	2	State Treas, dependent families, Soldier's and Sailors.....	280 56
	2	State Treas, Mothers Aid .....	57 00
	2	" " pensions .....	450 00
	4	City of Waterville .....	63 01
	5	Geo H & Stephen Pishon Cemetery	

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	Lot fund.....	5 50
5	H E Tuck Cemetery Lot fund ....	2 50
5	Town farm account.....	60 00
3	" " " " .....	4 00
5	Rent Roderick house.....	3 50
5	H C Butterfield Cemetery lot fund	3 50
5	C A Wheeler " " " " .....	2 50
5	Highway account.....	6 00
5	Reimbursement poor account.....	8 18
11	Town farm account, wood sold ...	8 50
11	" " " " .....	17 30
11	" " " " .....	56 38
11	Reimbursement poor accomnt ....	10 00
12	W J Bradbury, taxes of 1917-18 .	111 60
13	State Treas, support of poor.....	237 79
13	" " " " " " .....	4 77.
14	Town farm acct, board of Frank Curtis .....	51 00
14	Rent of Island House.....	144 00
14	Incidental account.....	45 00
14	Mother's Aid ....	10 00
16	Town of Benton, Mother's Aid...	78 83
17	Lewis Dunbar Fund, support of poor .....	192 90
17	W J Bradbury, Collector ...	63,570 78
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		\$104,944 82

1919

By cash paid

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Apr 11	State pensions 1st quarter .....	\$66 00
12	" " " " .....	30 00
July 1	" " " " .....	6 00
2	4 bonds, \$2,500 each, due July 1, 1919.....	2,000 00
2	Coupons due July 1, '19, old issue	40 00
2	" " " " new "	360 00
14	" " " " " "	120 00



		Cupons due July 1, '19, old issue	20 00
21		State pensions, 2nd quarter	102 00
Sept 2		" Treas, dog tax for 1918	132 00
2		" " " " 1919	203 00
3		" " Patrolled road account	1,056 10
3		Free Public Library Association	100 00
Oct 5		One half County tax 1919	1,636 12
5		State Pensions, 3d quarter	108 00
Dec 1		State tax for 1919	17,541 19
10		Loans to Fairfield Sav & Trust Co	3,000 00
13		" " " " " "	1,000 00
13		" " " " " "	5,000 00
23		" " " " " "	6,500 00
23		Balance County tax	1,636 11
26		Loans to Fairfield Sav & Trust Co	2,000 00
31		State pensions 4th quarter	60 00
1920			
Jan 1		Coupons due Jan 1, '20, new issue	340 00
7		" " " " " "	120 00
7		State pensions 4th quarter	78 00
10		Coupon due Jan 1, 1920	20 00
Feb 13		" " " " " "	20 00
17		Orders paid	60,065 64
		To pay outstanding orders	1,279 20
		Cash on hand	805 46
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			\$104,944 82

### Trust Funds

The Fairfield Savings & Trust Co, Depository.

1911

July 1	Emery Hill Cemetery Fund	\$1,000 00
	Interest accrued and unexpended,	
	Feb 1920	81 24
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		\$1,081 24

April	H E Tuck Cemetery Lot Fund ...	\$100 00	
	Interest accrued and unexpended		
	Feb 5, 1920.....	12 06	
		—	\$112 06
1912			
Feb 2	The Geo H & Stephen Pishon Cem- etery Lot Fund .....	\$200 00	
	Interest accrued and unexpended		
	Feb 5th, 1920.....	24 70	
		—	\$224 70
1912			
Oct 1	Chas A Wheeler Cemetery Lot Fund.....	\$100 00	
	Interest accrued and unexpended		
	Feb 5, 1920.....	12 32	
		—	\$112 32
1915			
Oct 18	H C Butterfield Cemetery Lot Fund	\$100 00	
	Interest accrued and unexpended		
	Feb 5, 1920.....	5 96	
		—	\$105 96
1918			
May 4	M F Archer, Fairfield Center Cem- etery Lot, Fund.....	\$100 00	
	Interest accrued and unexpended		
	Feb 5, 1920 .....	6 10	
		—	\$106 10
1919			
July 20	Sarah L Cotton Cemetery Lot Fund.....	\$100 00	
	Interest accrued and unexpended		
	Feb 1920.....	1 00	
		—	\$101 00
1919			
Aug 11	Mary E Emery Cemetery Lot Fund	\$75 00	
	Interest accrued and unexpended		
	Feb 1920 .....	50	
		—	\$75 50

1914			
July 11	The Eugene Fowler Fund . . . . .	\$475 00	
	Interest accrued and unexpended		
	Feb 1920 . . . . .	78 53	
		—	\$553 53
1913			
Mar 25	The Lewis Dunbar Fund . . . . .	\$4,775 00	\$4,775 00
	Interest expended		

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Fairfield Me., Feb 20, 1920.

This is to certify that I have examined the accounts of the Selectmen for the year ending Feb. 10, 1920, and find proper vouchers for the same in full.

A. H. TOTMAN, Auditor.

## Financial Standing

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### Liabilities

Bonded debt .....	\$25,000 00
Unrepresented bills outstanding, mostly snow, estimated .....	1,000 00
Note, 1918 .....	2,500 00
Sanatorium Note .....	1,000 00
Play Ground Note .....	1,200 00
Note .....	500 00
	\$31,200 00

### Resources

Cash on hand .....	\$305 46
Town farm equipment and house furnishings	5,000 00
House and lot, Bunker Island .....	1,000 00
Roderick house .....	250 00
Town Hall, Centre .....	300 00
Town lot, Main St .....	300 00
Gravel pits .....	100 00
Highway and sidewalk outfits, road machines, snow plows, small tools, etc .....	500 00
1 cow at farm .....	50 00
Hay, straw, lumber, wood, fertilizer, pork, apples, potatoes, beans .....	549 00
Due from Skowhegan Creamery .....	40 00
Due from State and other towns, poor acct	422 56
" " " " " " Mothers aid	148 53
" " " for dependent families of Soldier's and Sailors .....	24 00

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Due from W F & O Ry .....	100 00	
“ “ F & S Ry ... ..	35 00	
“ “ B & F Ry .....	20 00	
Tax titles in Treas., estimated collectable..	125 00	
Uncollected taxes, '19, estimated collectable	325 00	
	<hr/>	\$9,594 55
Net Liabilities.....		<hr/> \$21,605 45

W. A. HILL

F. E. HAMMOND

J. L. SNOW

Selectmen.

## Lawrence Library

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WA Archer, Treas., in acct with Fairfield, Library Asso.

Dr.

To town appropriation .....	\$1,000 00	
State.....	100 00	
Rec'd from Librarian .....	32 50	
Dues .....	5 00	
Bal on hand Feb 10, '19 .....	25 38	
	<hr/>	\$1,162 88

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Paid out for		
Books .....	\$247 93	
Magazines .....	72 60	
Librarian Salary .....	260 00	
Asst Librarian Salary .....	125 00	
Janitor Salary .....	73 50	
Sec and Treas Salary .....	10 00	
Fuel .....	137 89	
Binding .....	64 49	
Lights .....	38 00	
Water .....	15 00	
Printing .....	9 95	
Supplies .....	30 72	
Balance on hand Feb 10, '20 .....	77 80	
	<hr/>	\$1,162 88
Due E. Kelley & Co, Coal. ....	\$216 15	
“ Janitor .....	31 25	
	<hr/>	\$247 40

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## In Memoriam

### Trustees of Fairfield Public Library

Mrs. Louise E. Newhall,

Died October 11, 1910

Miss Helen S. Pratt,

Died September 20, 1918

Mr. Edward J. Lawrence,

Died November 27, 1918

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## **School Department**

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### **School Officials**

Walter P. Hinckley, Chairman, term expires March, 1920.

Abbie J. Ladd, term expires March, 1921.

Charles A. Lawry, term expires March, 1922.

Merlin C. Joy, Secretary and Superintendent of Schools.

### **Truant Officers**

Fred O. Savage, Frank Whitten, F. H. Gibson.

The regular meeting of the School Committee is held on the first Monday of each month at 1.30 P. M. All outstanding bills should be submitted on or before each meeting that they may receive the approval of the Committee.

The office hours of the Superintendent will be from 2 to 4 P. M. every Friday during such time as schools are in session.

### **School Calendar**

Winter term will close March 26, 1920.

Spring term begins April 5, 1920, closes June 11, 1920.



## Report of the Superintendent of Schools

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Fairfield, Maine, Feb. 10, 1920.

*To the Superintending School Committee of Fairfield :*

I take pleasure in submitting for your consideration the annual report of the Superintendent of Schools for the fiscal year ending Feb. 10, 1920.

The school year which closed in June 1919 was marked by many interruptions due to the influenza epidemic and the prevalence of sickness among the children. Despite the handicap thus imposed upon the schools the work was completed in a fairly satisfactory manner and the following promotions were made :

To grade	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	High School
	38	39	50	51	61	65	55	48	68

The enrollment at the beginning of the fall term was as follows :

Beginners grade	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
	56	68	48	50	65	67	63	58
								76

This shows a gain in all grades except the third.

The attendance has been rather poor on account of the prevalence of mumps and scarlet fever. Truancy has also been met with especially in the rural districts. I need not emphasize the necessity of regular attendance if the schools are to be a benefit to the pupil. I do, however, wish to warn parents of the provisions of the law relative to causing irregular attendance of children at school.

The recently issued State Course of Study for Elementary Schools prepared by the State Department of Education has been adopted as the course of study for the common schools and was placed in the hands of the teachers at the opening of schools in September. It is hoped that uniform work may be done in each grade throughout the town.

The progress of the pupils has been commendable though not as rapid as expected. As corrective measures I recommend the following :

1. The non-continuance of the sub-grade, so-called, in all schools. If it seems best to have a kindergarten let us plan for it and provide trained teachers and proper equipment as the statutes require.

2. The rearrangement of the grades in Fairfield Corporation. At present there is a complete system, grades sub 1 to 8, at each end of the village. This plan gives each teacher two grades and one teacher three grades in her room. These grades are not usually evenly divided as to numbers. This condition may be remedied without increasing the teaching force by uniting the divisions of the 6th and 8th grades at the North building and the divisions of the 7th at the South Building.

3. The employment of trained teachers or teachers of maturity and experience in all schools.

There is a scarcity of trained and experienced teachers. However there are some and we can have them if we are in a position to pay the price. The fact that all except two of our schools were opened on time in September and have remained open is due to the loyalty of our teachers and not to the amount of pay they received. I hope that the citizens at the annual meeting will grant an appropriation sufficient to provide a flat increase of 25 per cent dating Jan. 1, 1920 to all teachers now on the pay roll.

The work in music has been very commendable. The progress of the pupils has been thorough and rapid. The interest is keen. The children of the entire town should have the advantage of this course and I recommend that we employ the music teacher for the entire week thus being able to extend the course to all schools.

The courses in Manual Training and domestic science have been continued this year. The interest of the pupils is excellent and progress rapid. I would recommend an additional appropriation for this department to follow out the suggestion of Mr. Swett regarding new vises and circular saw and that gas service be installed in the domestic science rooms.

The schools are not well supplied with flags and poles. The statutes require that a special appropriation be made for this purpose. \$75.00 should cover this item.

Next fall we shall be required "to provide instruction in all public schools in personal hygiene, community sanitation and physical education, including recreational exercises in accordance with a course of study and plans of lessons and instruction prepared by the State Superintendent of Schools." We may employ a director or directors of physical education alone or join with some other town for this purpose and "the state will reimburse one-half the salary paid, not to exceed \$800.00 for each director in any one year and not to exceed \$1,600.00 to any one town; provided, that the appropriation made by the town for this purpose shall be exclusive of any other sum received from the state for the support of common schools."

This winter there has been a demand for classes in Americanization. There is no doubt of the need of such schools nor of the advisability of starting them as soon as possible. It is however a matter for the voters to determine. The following is reprint of Sec. 137 of Chapter 16 Revised Statutes of 1916 and Public Laws of 1917 and 1919.

**Sec. 137. State aid to towns maintaining evening schools, Americanization and reducing illiteracy.** 1911, c. 188, § 6. 1915, c. 90. 1919, c. 148. Whenever the superintending school committee of any town shall have maintained during the school year an evening school as provided by section twenty-five, said town shall be reimbursed by the state a sum equal to two-third the amount paid for instruction in such evening school, provided there shall have been offered, in addition to the subjects elsewhere prescribed for evening schools, courses in the commercial branches, the domestic and manual arts or the elements of the trades, said courses to be subject to the approval of the state superintendent of public schools; no town shall be entitled to receive a reimbursement under the provisions of this section, unless the total average attendance in said courses shall equal not less than twenty-five per cent of the average attendance of the school; provided, however, that for the purpose of Americanization and also for the purpose of reducing illiteracy within the state all towns and cities in which there are persons of normal mentality over eighteen years of age who are unable to read, to write and to speak the English language to a reasonable degree of efficiency, or who are unable to read and to write in any language, are hereby authorized to organize and conduct evening schools or classes in which such persons of foreign birth or foreign extraction shall be given opportunity to learn to read, to write and to speak the English language and to learn the duties of citizens in a democracy, and also in which illiterates shall be given opportunity to learn to read and to write and to pursue such other subjects as will increase their civic intelligence. Such schools and classes

shall meet the approval of the state superintendent of schools in regard to the qualifications of instructors, length of term and subjects offered and towns maintaining them shall be reimbursed to the same extent and in the same manner as for other schools and classes set forth in this section.

Lawrence High School has this year the largest enrollment in its history. School opened for the fall term with five new teachers, Miss Foster being the only former teacher to return. I feel that considering the conditions under which Mr. Steward and his assistants undertook the work that a great deal of credit is due them. A high standard of scholarship and deportment has been set and the students are responding splendidly. The report of Mr. Steward follows.

I wish to thank the members of the School Board for their helpful suggestions and guidance and support.

Very truly,

MERLIN C. JOY.

## Report of the Principal of Lawrence High School

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*To the Superintendent of Schools of the Town of Fairfield :*

Sir:—As Principal of Lawrence High School, I herewith submit a report for the year 1919-1920.

As you well know, I have made no changes of a radical type. I have deemed it more expedient to follow the plans of my predecessor, feeling that the first year did not warrant departures of a radical type in any line.

The large entering class, numbering in all eighty-one, made it necessary to install seats in two more rooms to be used as study rooms, and the splendid equipment is taxed nearly to the limit.

The Lawrence High School maintains four courses of study namely College Preparatory, Scientific, Commercial and General. The first two were intended to fit students for colleges and Scientific schools, the Commercial to prepare students for commercial and business vocations, while the General course was designed to prepare boys and girls with a better supply of useful information in order that each may be better equipped to pursue whatever calling he chose for a life work.

There are now enrolled one hundred seventy three students, who are divided among the classes as follows: Seniors 25; Juniors 31; Sophomores 32; and Freshmen 81.

Of the above, 44 elected the College Preparatory Course; 10 elected the Scientific Course; 77 elected the Commercial Course; and 32 elected the General Course.

### THE HIGH SCHOOL COURSE OF STUDY

CLASSICAL		SCIENTIFIC		COMMERCIAL		GENERAL	
FIRST YEAR—Required							
English	5	English	5	English	5	English	5
Algebra	5	Algebra	5	Com'l Arith	5	Algebra	5
Anc Hist	5	Gen Science	5	Algebra	5		
Latin	5						

Elective					
Manual Tr	2	Ancient Hist	5	Gen Science	5
Dom Science	2	Latin	5	Pen & Spelling	2
Music	2	Manual Tr	2	Music	2
		Dom Science	2	Manual Tr	2
		Music	2	Dom Science	2
				Dom Science	2
				Music	2
SECOND YEAR—Required					
English	5	English	5	English	5
Geometry	5	Geometry	5	Stenography	5
Latin	5			Typewriting	5
Elective					
French	5	Latin	5	Geometry	5
Manual Tr	2	French	5	Eng Hist & Bot	5
Dom Science	2	Eng Hist & Bot	5	Latin	5
Music	2	Manual Tr	2	French	5
		Dom Science	2	Typewriting	5
		Music	2	Manual Tr	2
				Dom Science	2
				Music	2
THIRD YEAR—Required					
English	5	English	5	English	5
				Stenog	5
				Bookkeeping	5
Elective					
Algebra	5	Algebra	5	Typewriting	5
Latin	5	Physics & Chem	5	French	5
French	5	Latin	5	Music	2
Physics & Chem	5	French	5	Manual Tr	2
Manual Tr	2	Manual Tr	2	Dom Science	2
Dom Science	2	Dom Science	2	Typewriting	5
Music	2	Music	2	Dom Science	2
				Manual Tr	2
				Music	2
FOURTH YEAR—Required					
English	5	English	5	English	5
				English	5
Electives					
Solid Geom	5	Solid Geom	5	Stenography	5
Latin	5	Latin	5	Typewriting	5
French	5	French	5	Bookkeeping	5
Am Hist & Civ	5	Am Hist & Civ	5	Am Hist & Civ	5
Chem & Physics	5	Physics & Chem	5	Dom Science	2
Manual Tr	2	Manual Tr	2	Manual Tr	2
Dom Science	2	Dom Science	2	Music	2
Music	2	Music	2	Manual Tr	2
				Music	2

Note—Each student must carry at least 20 hours a week exclusive of Manual Training and Domestic Science. All students have enough work which shall necessitate their studying outside of school hours.

# **SCHEDULE FOR THE DAY (Morning)**

## **Opening Exercises 8.45 to 9.00 A. M.**

Hour	Mr Steward	Mr Driscoll	Miss Hunton	Miss Foster	Miss Murray	Mrs Skillin
9 to 9.40	Math IV	Eng Hist, Bot	Eng IC	Latin IB	Algebra LB	Stenog II
9.40 to 10.20	Pl Geom II		Eng III	French III	Com'l Arith IO	Typewriting
10.20 to 10.30			RECESS			
10.30 to 11.15	Chemistry	English II A	English IB	Latin II	Algebra IA	Stenog I
11.15 to 12.00	Chemistry				Algebra LO	Penmanship Spelling

## **Noon Hour 12.00 to 1.15 P. M.**

### **(Afternoon)**

Hour		Anc Hist I	English I	French II	Stenog III
1.15 to 1.55		Am Hist III		French I	Bookkeeping II
1.55 to 2.35	Gen Science	Civics III			
2.35 to 3.15	Algebra III	English II B	English IV	Latin I	Com'l Arith IB Bookkeeping I

There is need of another teacher who can use at least two or three periods in gymnastic classes during school hours. Some students will get physical development on the farm, others in different ways, but a great majority of our boys and girls will receive no such muscular training unless it is made part of the school program for each day.

I desire to take this opportunity in closing, to say that a large measure of the present excellent condition of the school is due to the able and faithful services of my assistants, and to express my hearty appreciation for the splendid spirit of co-operation on their part. May I also express to the school officials my appreciation of their many courtesies and strong support.

Respectfully submitted,

C. P. STEWARD, JR., Principal



## Report of the Teacher of Home Economics

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*Mr. Joy, Superintendent of Schools, Fairfield, Maine :*

I present to you a report of the work done in the sixth, seventh and eighth grades and Lawrence High School for the year ending February 1, 1920.

The number of pupils registered in this department was as follows: North and South Grammar Schools 68, Shawmut 16, Benton 5, Lawrence High School 40, making a total of 129.

The Household Arts Course in the High School has been changed somewhat since last year and consists of first year cooking, second year Household Decoration and Home Nursing and third and fourth year cooking and sewing. These courses in the High School are not compulsory.

First year cooking consists practically the same as the ninth grade of last year because the course in the grades was changed from 4 to 3 years, thus giving the girls who did not take the course last year in the ninth grade an opportunity to do so this year.

The second year course of Home Decoration and Home Nursing one semester each. This consists of house construction which includes house plans, location, plumbing, furnishings and interior decoration. About two weeks of study and reading is spent on these subjects. Then each girl chooses her own house plan and furnishes her home on a certain income. By the use of wall paper, paints and furniture cut from magazines etc., some very attractive rooms are made which developed the ideas of color scheme in regard to floor, walls, ceilings and placing of furniture. Home Nursing taken the last semester is a study of physiology, care of patient, sick room, personal hygiene, and first aid work.

Third and fourth years course consists of cooking one half year and sewing one half year. In the sewing course the girls are allowed to choose their own problems to work upon as they have had two or more years of sewing in the grades. The sixth year which take sewing are taught simple stitches as running, hemming, basting, over hand, etc., which includes samples, sewing bags, cooking apron, cap, cuffs, towel and holder. Also making of button holes and use of sewing machine. By the end of the year each girl should be able to make a simple dress.

The eight year course in sewing is a continuation of the sixth year course, only more difficult problems are given. Lessons in patching, darning, placing of patterns, the making of a set of undergarments, simple dresses, embroidery stitches, and study of textiles. One thing I discovered was that it seemed hard for the girls to understand the placing of patterns, so by drawing and cutting out small patterns to represent the real large patterns and by using paper in the place of cloth this difficulty was overcome.

In the cooking course of the seventh grade at every class a short period is given up to general discussion of the lesson. Full instructions are given and all questions answered before they begin to cook. After that they are compelled to work by these instructions only. By doing this they are obliged to pay strict attention and learn to use their own reasoning power. Otherwise if I allowed them to ask questions intermittently they would have but little idea of combining recipes, because of their reliance upon the teacher. This course includes lessons in personal hygiene, care of kitchen, food, food value, classes of food. In each class every girl has some household duty to perform, as to care of stove, oven, desks, floor, towels, sink etc., because the kitchen must be left in perfect order at the end of every lesson. Each girl is required to wear her full uniform at every lesson.

I find the girls very interested in their work. We are always glad to receive visitors and especially I invite the mothers to visit us, and see for themselves the work being accomplished in this department.

Following is the weekly program:

Time	9.00—10.30	10.30—12	1.15—3.00
Mon.	8th grade sewing	8th grade sewing	7th grade cooking
Tues	8th grade sewing	8th grade sewing	6th grade cooking
Wed	L H S cooking	7th grade cooking	L H S cooking
Thurs	L H S cooking	7th grade cooking	Home Dec
Fri	6th grade sewing	6th grade sewing	Care of kitchen

Sincerely yours,

CATHERINE BROWNE.

## Report of the Director of Music

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*To Mr. M. C. Joy, Superintendent of Schools, Fairfield, Me.:*

I herewith submit a report of the year's work in the Music Department.

Our slogan, "Music is a necessary part of one's education" has been emphasized both to pupils and teachers.

The Director of Music has given one period a week in each grade school in the village, one half day weekly in Lawrence High School and one half day every other week in the schools at Shawmut.

The New Weaver System has been used and the Course of Study given in last years report has been continued. This year the New Educational Music Readers have been placed in some grades. Book I in Grades III-IV, South Grammar; Grades IV-V, North Grammar; Book II in Grades V-VI South, Grades VI-VII North and Shawmut Grammar Schools; Book IV in Grade VIII North Grammar. This book is the one best adapted to the development of our system; it contains many bright interesting songs; when its aim and content is thoroughly understood by the teachers it cannot fail to produce good results.

Again allow me to call your attention to *two* serious obstacles to progress in our schools.

First—Two grades in a room. This arrangement is even harder to overcome in music than in other studies because the latter are taught each grade separately, but classes must be combined in this branch for two reasons, lack of time on the part of the grade teacher whose program is already overcrowded and the special teacher cannot cover all the ground in *her* allotted time which is three days a week. Therefore the higher grade must practically stand still until the new grade catches up or the new grade is beyond its depth. In either case valuable time is lost.

Second—The different arrangement of grades in the North and South buildings causes confusion and makes it impossible to accomplish the same amount of work in corresponding grades throughout the town.

I am confident that until there is one grade in a room and a uniform system of grading the greatest degree of efficiency cannot be reached in any branch of our work.

In spite of all discouraging conditions the grade teachers are doing all they can to make the music a success and I thank them most sincerely.

We are trying out the one grade in a room in one instance this year, Grade VIII, North Grammar, and most satisfactory progress is being made.

Music in Lawrence High School will be considered under three heads: chorus singing, orchestra, music appreciation.

One forty minute period per week is devoted to chorus singing, 130 students, fifty boys, 80 girls are enrolled. As music is elective we consider this a good percent of total number in school. Credit of two points given for satisfactory work.

The orchestra numbers six this year; we have two violins, two cornets, violincello, piano. Too much praise cannot be given these students; all orchestra practice is done after school hours; many demands are made on them in connection with the various school activities and affairs outside of school. No credits have been given them until this year, now they receive only one point. Three of these people played in the orchestra at the School Music Festival in Portland, October 30, and ten students sang in the chorus.

The gift of a Victrola by the class of 1918 opened the way for a course in Music Appreciation, which has been introduced this year. Sixty students elected the course but on account of conflicting studies it seemed at one time as if we must postpone the work.

Thanks to Mr. Steward's hearty cooperation and indefatigable energy in rearranging his program, one forty minute period was found in which 33 students could take the course and we hope later time may be found for the others who want it. This is a phase of music in which all may join; it requires neither voice nor previous knowledge. It is a study of music and musicians—compositions,

(both vocal and instrumental) of the great masters are heard on the Victrola. These reproductions are by the world's greatest artists. We then learn something about the composers and artists. Later Music Forms and History of Music will be studied.

Eight records were purchased by the high school through the efforts of Mr. Warren; others have been loaned by persons interested in our students and this work, so many beautiful selections have been heard already. This kindness is much appreciated by both the class and the Music Director.

Through the unfailing courtesy and ceaseless efforts of the Principal, Mr. Steward, music has had a fair chance in Lawrence High School this year. I thank him and the other members of the high school faculty for their hearty cooperation in the work.

The music supplies have been sufficient, schools are better supplied with books than for many years.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANCES F. CATE,

Director of Music.

### Report of the Commercial Teacher

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*To the Principal of Lawrence High School:*

I herewith submit the report for the Commercial Department of Lawrence High School.

There is an increase in the typewriting enrollment this year due to the fact that we are allowing those of the Sophomore class, taking the Commercial and General Course to substitute typewriting. Although they are allowed only one period a day they seem to take an interest and are putting all their energy to work. If there were more typewriting machines we could accomodate those pupils who have to study their period after school every night.

The Sophomore class in stenography are taking up the rudimentary principles of Chandler shorthand, and the Junior class is mastering the more advanced principles, as well as taking simple dictation. The Senior class are having speed practice and dictation.

The first year bookkeeping class are studying the general rules of debit and credit and their application to the simple methods of bookkeeping, while the advanced class have kept books for the grocery business and the commission business and are now acting as bookkeepers for a wholesale dry goods house. In this way they are given an insight into the different methods of keeping the books of various kinds of business enterprizes.

The first year class in penmanship are studying the Palmer Method. This system is based on arm-movement writing, and is the kind preferred by most business houses as it is neat and legible as well as rapid. The spelling class are studying rules and also applying these rules to their spelling words. They are also studying definitions to the words used most commonly and also applying these words in sentences.

Respectfully submitted,

BERDENA SKILLIN

## Report of the Principal of the South Grammar School

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*Mr. M. C. Joy, Sup't of Schools, Fairfield, Me.*

I herewith submit a report of the year's work done in the South Grammar School during the year ending Dec. 31, 1919.

The number of students promoted during the year was as follows:

	Boys	Girls	Total
To High School	8	9	17
From Grades			
VII to VIII	10	12	22
VI to VII	6	9	15
V to VI	11	14	25
IV to V	9	3	12
III to IV	4	7	11
II to III	7	11	18
I to II	9	8	17
Sub to I	8	5	13
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			Pupils 150

The number of students entered in September was as follows:

Grades VII and VIII	40	Grades III and IV	29
Grades V and VI	42	Grades Sub, I and II	60
		Total	171 pupils

The average attendance has been good.

We are following the "State Course of Study," as closely as time will permit.

If our schools could be rearranged so one grade could be in a room, especially in the upper grades, I feel sure the result would be a change for better on the part of both pupil and teacher.



I earnestly ask you to seriously consider our present unsanitary conditions in this building.

I want to encourage all who can to visit the schools. Frequent visits by those at home lead to a better understanding of school life. Pupils like to know that others are interested in their work.

I wish to state in closing that the hearty co-operation of the teachers and the support of the Superintendent give me courage to hope for a successful continuation of the school year.

Respectfully submitted,

JUNE L. WILLIAMS, Principal.

### Report of the Principal of the North Grammar School.

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Mr. Merlin C. Joy:

*Superintendent of Public Schools, Fairfield, Maine.*

I herewith submit my report as to the progress made by the pupils of the North Grammar School for the year 1919-1920.

We began the Fall Term, September 15, 1919 with the same teachers as the previous year; Alberta Foss, instructing the 1st Grade; Clara Osborne, 2nd and 3d; Harriet Brophy Flewelling, 4th and 5th; Bertha Snell, 6th and 7th; and Velma Johnson, 8th.

There are approximately 180 pupils registered in the School, fifty having entered the first grade in September.

As the schools have not been interrupted up to this time, the usual amount of work has been accomplished.

Mrs. Ida Taylor of Bangor, has introduced the Health Crusade which is a great incentive to the pupils to keep themselves neat and clean. A large number have already acquired the Squire's Pin and in another week will be entitled to the Knight's Badge.

Since the first of January, the pupils have bought Thrift Stamps amounting to \$80.00. There are now 52 members of the Happy Jack Thrift Club in the North Grammar School.

There has been more interest than usual shown this year by the parents and friends in the meetings of the Parent-Teachers' Association. Perhaps this has been due to the enthusiasm shown by the pupils for the picture provided by the Association.

I especially invite the parents and friends of the pupils to visit our schools at any time and become better acquainted with the work of the teachers and pupils.

VELMA B. JOHNSON.

### Report of the Teacher of Manual Training.

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*To the Superintendent of Schools, Fairfield.*

#### Report on Manual Training Dept.

The Course in Manual Training started this year again after a lapse of a year and a half during the war. The course outlined is practically the same as before, with allowances made for the fact that so much time has been lost.

There are 25 6th Grade, 19 7th Grade, 26 8th Grade and 52 High School boys. There are also 32 High School girls, making a total of 154 taking the Manual Training Course. This number is a decided increase over previous years.

Courses are planned out up to the 8th Grade, after which the pupil's own inclinations are followed so far as practicable. In this way boys are encouraged to develop their own ideas and work them out. The results have been most satisfactory.

Owing to a very limited equipment and to the fact that no new equipment has been added since the course was placed in the schools there is no opportunity for enlarging on the course or branching out into different channels. It is noticed that all towns around us are putting in some sort of power driven machines such as circular saw, planer or lathe. It is most important that something of this sort be done the coming year in order to come more nearly to comply with the State requirements and thus obtain the regular State aid.

Recommend that the benches be supplied with new vises as the old ones are nearly worn out and that a motor driven circular saw be put in, which will mean nearly double the production during the year. As it is now, each boy spends half his time sawing and planing by hand, while if the material could be gotten out quickly by saw, that time would be saved and used to greater advantage.

The interest in the course is most satisfactory and the standard of accuracy and care is high, which, on looking around at other schools, is very pleasing to the boys as well as to myself.

Very truly yours

WARREN S. SWETT.

## FINANCIAL STATEMENT

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### Common School Account

Balance Feb 10, 1919.....	\$168 85	
Appropriation .....	5,000 00	
School and Mill Fund .....	4,258 92	
Common School Fund .....	4,461 97	
Common School Fuel ...	1,200 00	
Teaching .....		\$9,529 26
Fuel .....		905 74
Janitor.....		1,292 50
Conveyance.....		2,628 00
Board of Pupils.....		326 00
Balance Feb 10, 1920.....		408 24
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	\$15,089 74	\$15,089 74

### Free High School Account

Balance, Feb 10, 1919.....	\$982 03	
Appropriation .....	3,800 00	
Received from State .....	500 00	
Janitor .....	750 00	
Fuel....	900 00	
Teaching.....		\$5,130 14
Janitor .....		839 38
Fuel .....		765 47
Balance, Feb 10, 1920...		197 04
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	\$6,932 03	\$6,932 03

**Industrial Education Account**

Balance, Feb 10, 1919 . . . . .	\$536 83	
Appropriation . . . . .	750 00	
Teaching . . . . .		1,354 05
Supplies . . . . .		235 72
Overdrawn . . . . .	302 94	
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	\$1,589 77	\$1,589 77

**Books, Supplies, Repairs and Incidentals**

Appropriation . . . . .	\$2,700 00	
Insurance . . . . .	300 00	
Overdrawn last year . . . . .		\$362 40
Books . . . . .		1,424 68
Supplies . . . . .		804 67
Repairs . . . . .		1,285 66
Incidentals . . . . .		369 78
Insurance . . . . .		195 27
Overdrawn . . . . .		1,442 46
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	\$4,442 46	\$4,442 46

## Town Warrant

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### STATE OF MAINE

County of Somerset ss.

To Wallace A. Hill a constable of the Town of Fairfield in said County:—

You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to warn the inhabitants of the town of Fairfield, aforesaid, qualified to vote in town affairs, to assemble at the Opera House in said town on the first day of March, nineteen hundred twenty, at ten o'clock in the forenoon to act upon the following articles, to wit:

Art. 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

Art. 2. To choose a clerk for the ensuing year.

Art. 3. To choose one selectman, assessor and overseer of the poor for three years, and all other necessary town officers.

Art. 4. To choose a member or members of the superintending school committee.

Art. 5. To choose a fire warden for the town as required by Chapter 108 of the Public Laws of 1913.

Art. 6. To see what action the town will take relative to road commissioner.

Art. 7. To see what sum of money the town will raise for incidental expenses.

Recommended by the appropriation committee, \$3,000.00

Art. 8. To see what sum of money the town will raise for the support of poor.

Recommended by appropriation committee, \$2,500.00

Art. 9. To see what sum the town will raise for the support of Common Schools; Free High School; for Books, Supplies and Repairs; High School Janitor; Fuel for Common Schools; Fuel for High School; Industrial Education; Insurance; Physical Education; School Flags and poles; Night Schools for Americanization

Recommended by the appropriation committee, Common Schools \$10,000.00; Free High School \$4,000.00; for Books, Supplies and Repairs \$5,000.00; Fuel for High School \$900.00; High School Janitor \$1,000.00; Industrial Education \$1,500.00; Insurance \$200.00; Physical Education \$800.00; School Flags and Poles \$75.00; and Night Schools for Americanization \$350.00; Fuel for Common Schools \$1,000.00.

Art. 10. To see what sum of money the town will raise for its highways.

Recommended by appropriation committee \$8,000.00.

Art. 11. To see what sum of money the town will raise for its bridges.

Recommended by appropriation committee \$2,000.00.

Art. 12. To see what sum of money the town will raise for breaking snow.

Recommended by appropriation committee \$3,500.00.

Art. 13. To see what action the town will take in regard to the Two Thousand Dollar Bond that falls due July 1, 1920.

Recommended by the appropriation committee \$2,000.00.

Art. 14. To see what sum of money the town will raise to be paid for interest on its indebtedness.

Recommended by appropriation committee \$1,600.00.

Art. 15. To see what sum the town will raise to be paid the selectmen as salary for the ensuing year.

Recommended by appropriation committee \$1,200.00 for selectmen, and \$500.00 for clerk hire.

Art. 16. To see what sum of money the town will raise for the care of Monument Park.

Recommended by appropriation committee \$1500.00.

Art. 17. To see what sum of money the town will raise for the support of a Free Public Library.

Recommended by appropriation committee \$1,500.00.

Art. 18. To see what sum of money the town will raise for Memorial Day.

Recommended by appropriation committee \$100.00,

Art. 19. To see if the town will authorize the selectmen to hire money to pay current expenses in anticipation of taxes.

Art. 20. To see what sum of money the town will raise for Highway Patrol.

Recommended by appropriation committee \$1,000.00.

Art. 21. To see what sum of money the town will raise for building and repairing sidewalks.

Recommended by appropriation committee \$1,000.00.

Art. 22. To see if the town will appropriate and raise the sum of \$1062.00 for the improvement of the section of the State Aid Road as outlined in the report of the State Highway Commissioner under the provisions of Section 21 of Chapter 25 in the Revised Statutes of Maine.

Recommended by appropriation committee

Art. 23. To see if the town will vote to purchase a gravel pit and raise money for same.



Art. 24. To see if the town will vote to buy any modern road machinery and raise money for same.

Recommended by appropriation committee \$500.00.

Art. 25. To see if the town will vote to establish a price for the men and teams on highway.

Art. 26. To see what action the town will take in regard to the maintainance of the wooden bridge across the canal in Fairfield Village and raise money for same.

Recommended by appropriation committee \$1000.00.

Art. 27. To see if the town will vote to purchase a truck and raise money for same.

Art. 28. To see if the town will vote to build a sidewalk from Main Street, westerly along Gerald Terrace, a distance of 250 feet and raise money for same.

Art. 29. To see if the town will vote to build a sidewalk beginning at the corner of Western Avenue and Hatch Street and continuing down Hatch Street to the corner of Hatch and Osborne Streets, thence up Osborne Street to the corner of North Street, and raise money for same.

Recommended by the appropriation committee, \$200.

Art. 30. To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of \$300 to repair a section of road beginning 9 rods south of the home of E. J. Emery and continuing south 45 rods.

Recommended by the appropriation committee \$300.00.

Art. 31. To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of \$500 to raise the grade of the east end and to make needed repairs on the whole extent of the road leading from the Ridge Road near the farm of A. H. Ellis to the State Road near the farm of Frank Langlois just north of Shawmut Village.

Recommended by appropriation committee, \$500.00.

Art. 32. To see if the town will vote to rescind the vote passed at the annual meeting of 1918 whereby it voted to elect three selectmen, assessors and overseers of the poor, one for one year, one for two years, and one for three years, and thereafter one each year to hold office for three years; and if such vote is rescinded, to fix the number of selectmen, assessors and overseers of the poor for the ensuing year, and to elect the same for a term of one year.

Art. 33. To see if the town will authorize the Selectmen to lease the old banking rooms of the Fairfield Savings & Trust Co. for use of Town Offices.

Recommended that the Selectmen be authorized.

Art. 34. To see if the town will vote to purchase and remodel the Opera House as a Memorial and Municipal building for the boys who fought and died in the World War, to raise money therefor, and to appoint a committee to carry out the purpose of this article.

Art. 35. To see if the town will vote to build or construct a Memorial Building to be used for Municipal and recreation purposes and to raise money therefor.

Art. 36. To see if the town will vote to appropriate and raise money for and to purchase stock and equipment for the Town Farm.

Recommended by appropriation committee \$1,000.00.

Art. 37. To see if the town will vote to construct a sewer extending from High Street westerly along Elm Street to connect with the sewer as now existing on the westerly end of said Elm Street about 625 feet, and raise money therefor. Estimate cost of construction \$600.00.

Recommended by appropriation committee \$300.00.

Art. 38. To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of \$300 for the support of Mother's Aid.

Recommended by appropriation committee \$300.00.

Art. 39. To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of \$100.00 for salary as Health Officer.

Recommended \$100.00.

Art. 40. To see if the town will vote to instruct the selectmen to furnish a dumping ground.

Notice is hereby given that the Selectmen will be in session at their office on Saturday, the twenty-eighth day of February, 1920, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon to revise the list of voters.

W. A. HILL	} Selectmen	
F. E. HAMMOND		of
J. L. SNOW		Fairfield.

Fairfield, Maine, February 21 1920.